
TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule

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Under [IC 4-22-2-23](#), the Natural Resources Commission intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Amends [312 IAC 12](#) and [312 IAC 13](#), which govern water wells and water well drilling. Amends [312 IAC 12-2-4](#) to specify minimum pump setting depths for small capacity water wells that must be met to qualify for protection under [IC 14-25-4](#). Amends [312 IAC 13-8-1](#) to help implement [IC 25-39](#) for the use of high solids bentonite grout containing graphite, and other neat cement based geothermal grouts, for vertical closed loop geothermal systems to enhance thermal conductivity and pumpability of the grout material. Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher. Questions may be sent to the Division of Hearings, Natural Resources Commission, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N501, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2200, at nrcrules@nrc.in.gov, or by telephone at (317) 232-0156. Comments may be sent by regular mail to the address above or through <http://www.in.gov/nrc/2377.htm>. Statutory authority: [IC 14-10-2-4](#); [IC 14-25-4-2](#); [IC 14-25-4-9](#); [IC 14-25-4-13](#); [IC 14-25-4-17](#).

For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule is:

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For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Ombudsman designated by [IC 4-4-35-8](#) is:

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Resources available to regulated entities through the small business ombudsman include the ombudsman's duties stated in [IC 4-4-35-8](#), specifically [IC 4-4-35-8\(9\)](#), investigating and attempting to resolve any matter regarding compliance by a small business with a law, rule, or policy administered by a state agency, either as a party to a proceeding or as a mediator.

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